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ing application—
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for the transfer of his Publican's Licence to
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Kowloon, under the Sign of the
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T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Magistrate,
Hongkong, December 17, 1903. 2573

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In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES
WILLIAM APAR, late of Saigon, in
the French Colony, (1 Cochinchina,
Mercantile Assistant, deceased).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of
Ordinance No. 3, of 1897, made an Order
limiting to the 7th day of January, 1904,
for sending in Claims against the above
Estate.

All creditors are hereby required to send
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6 p.m.—Meeting of *Edinburgh* Lodge.
9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

TUESDAY, December 29:—
2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's Justice of Peace at the Magistracy.

THURSDAY, January 1:—
9 p.m.—A Concert of Hongkong Volunteer Corps at City Hall.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Talkoo Sports.
We have been asked to point out that civilians will only be entitled to enter the open events at the Talkoo Sports on New Year's Day. A mistake was made in the advertisement recently appearing in the paper.

Post Office Notices.
The Post Office will be closed on Christmas day, the 25th, and Boxing day, the 26th inst. There will be one delivery each day and a collection from the pillar boxes as on Sunday. All outgoing mails will be closed at 9 a.m. On Friday, the 1st January, the Post Office will be open from 8 till 9 a.m. and on the arrival of the English Mail for one hour. On Saturday, the 2nd January, the Post Office will be open until 10 a.m. for the despatch of the English Mail to Europe. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Letters and Postcards are now received for transmission to Europe via Dalry and the Trans-Siberian Railway, and should be marked accordingly. No Printed matter can be accepted. Unpaid or Underpaid correspondence cannot be forwarded. The Rates of Postage by this route will be the same as at present via the Suez Canal. Letters intended to go by this route should be posted not later than the Wednesday in each week, so as to catch the last Russian Boat from Shanghai to Dalry which leaves Shanghai every Sunday.

An Irish Girl's Retort.
An officer in a cavalry regiment stationed in Dublin attended a ball there. In his own estimation he was a very fine fellow, and was very critical about his partners. 'May I introduce you to Miss M-?' asked the M.C. 'She's one of the prettiest girls in the town.' 'If she is,' he responded, 'trot her out.' The lady in question was near enough to hear the condescending remark. When the introduction was over, and the officer asked if he might look at her programme, instead of giving it to him with a radiant smile, she inspected him with a supercilious air, and, turning to the M.C., said: 'He won't do; trot him back.'

Russian Officers for the Korean Army.
According to a Seoul despatch appearing in the *Osaka Asahi*, Li Keunghak, Korean Minister of War, acting under instructions from the Emperor, signed a private agreement with the Russian Minister, M. Pavlov, at the Russian Legation on Dec. 9. The substance of the agreement is, the despatch adds, as follows:—Art. 1.—Korea will engage a non-Russian Army officers for service in the event of any emergency in the Peninsula. Art. 2.—The Russian officers, when engaged in accordance with Art. 1, will be distributed among the battalions of the Korean Army, and also among those of the Imperial Body-Guard in times of necessity. Art. 3.—The Russian officers to be engaged by Korea will number two or more for each battalion. Art. 4.—Korea will pay the Russian officers in her Army a monthly salary of Yen 400 for a Colonel or Major, and Yen 200 for a Lieutenant. Art. 5.—Korea will engage no foreign army officer of a nationality other than Russian.

Japan's Financial Annual.
We have to acknowledge receipt from Mr. Y. Sak-tani, Vice Minister of Finance in Japan, of a copy of the 'Financial and Economical Annual of Japan.' This is the third issue, and when we look at this evidence of intellectual ability and activity and compare the Japanese administration with the Chinese, we wonder why, in some circles, the Japanese should be denied credit for what they have done while the Chinese are praised for what they might do. After giving the weights, measures and moneys of the country, with their English equivalents, the preliminary portion of the annual sets out the geographical situation of Japan, the extent of coast and area, and the population of the Empire. There are six parts:—Finance; Agriculture, Industry and Commerce; Foreign Trade; Banking and Money Market; Communications; and Formosa. Anyone in possession of this annual has, in hand, a very formidable form, a collection of facts which will enable him to form an estimate of the restless activity of a clever people, who may yet become the premier Power of the Far East.

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Notes by the Way.
The Italian cruiser *Elba* has turned up in Japan from Hongkong.

The application of X-rays said to have greatly relieved an epileptic patient in New York, and a complete recovery is regarded as almost certain.

The King has presented to the British Museum a fine coloured papyrus of the Egyptian 'Book of the Dead,' which was discovered at Thebes.

His Highness Sir Jagajit Singh Bahadur, K. C. S. I., Raja of Kapurthala, the Ranee, and suite, who have been on a trip to Japan, are at present guests at the Peak Hotel.

The *Osaka Asahi* learns that the Russian Volunteer Fleet has decided to construct four new steamers in the place of those vessels which have been sold to the Government.

There were 222 European and 73 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 41 European and 2,139 Chinese visitors to the Museum, during the week ending 20th December.

The rainfall of the present year had been so excessive that it had gone some distance towards making good the deficiency which has been accumulating during the previous sixteen years.

Messrs Caldwell, Macgregor & Co., following their usual custom, forward to their constituents a most useful little reminder:—this year a pocket-pencil. The seasonable souvenirs are very neat and handy.

Admiral Von Holtzendorf, Second in Command of the German squadron, who lately arrived at Yokohama from home, was received in audience by H.M. the Emperor of Japan at the Imperial Palace on the 14th inst. The Admiral will fly his flag on the cruiser *Hansen*, now being repaired at the Uraga dockyard.

Band at King Edward Hotel.
By kind permission of Major Radcliff and Officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday, the 25th inst. (Christmas Eve), instead of Friday, as usual:—
March ... 'The Washington Post'
Lancers ... 'A Country Girl'
Selection ... 'Reminiscences of Scotland'
Song ... 'The Flight of Ages'
Selection ... 'The Gipsy'
Valse ... 'The Blue Danube'
Mazurka ... 'Slavonic Dance'
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GOD SAVE THE KING.

The 'Firth of Forth.'
The finding of the official enquiry into the loss of the *Firth of Forth* (a portion of the evidence in which was reproduced in our columns) was that the vessel was in good and seaworthy condition when she sailed from Hamburg, and that the master, Captain Brady, did not make every possible effort to save the vessel, and that she was abandoned prematurely. The Court suspended the master's certificate for twelve months and refused to give him a chief mate's certificate for the period. *Fairplay* of 5th November makes some very interesting comments on the case and the insurance on the vessel.

British Shipping.
The Cardiff Chamber of Commerce has resolved to send a deputation to the Board of Trade on the question of the reduction in the net tonnage of British vessels which invariably follows their transfer to a foreign flag. During the past five years it was reported that British ships arriving in South Wales and Monmouth ports showed a decrease of 13 per cent, while foreign shipping increased 52 per cent. The net British register tonnage decreased 9 per cent., while foreign tonnage increased 92 per cent. The reason was that hundreds of steamers, formerly British-owned, had been transferred to foreign flags, and in every case the tonnage had been reduced. A great injustice was thereby done to dockowners and also to shipowners.

Wise, and Otherwise!
Mr. Spencer Leigh Hughes, who is responsible for 'Sub Rosa' and other important features of the *London Morning Leader*, including most of its Parliamentary articles, has been lecturing recently on the Press. In the course of his lecture, Mr. Hughes related some remarkable expressions that he has heard used by Members of the House of Commons. Here are some: 'I will even go so far to venture to think; 'Where are the honourable gentlemen sitting in front of me? They are conspicuous by their absence.' 'The Home Secretary shakes his head, and I am sorry to hear it.' 'My right hon. friend has gone to the very top of the tree, and landed a big fish, indeed.' 'The time has now arrived, and is rapidly approaching, when we must be prepared to follow in the footsteps of those coming after us.' Incidentally, the lecturer remarked that when the House of Commons was considering any matter apart from party, it was the most fair-minded body of men in the world.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Regatta Dinner.
The Regatta Dinner of the Victoria Recreation Club will be held to-night at the Kowloon Hotel.

Hill's World's Entertainers.
Readers are reminded that Hill's World's Entertainers open a short season at the Theatre Royal to-night. An advertisement appears in this issue.

Pine Trees.
During the past day or two persons passing along Queen's Road Central must have noticed numbers of young healthy pine saplings for sale in Wyndham Street. Since the Afforestation Department has gone to considerable expense to plant such trees about the island and mainland, it would be interesting to know whence the Chinese got these they are exposing for sale.

Chinese Customs Revenue.
The Customs Gazette, July-September, 1903, just published by the I.M.C. Statistical Department, shows the following comparative figures of the revenue for the quarter, in Haikuan taels:—
1903 1902
Chinese ports ... 17,585,455 7,725,699
Kowloon and Lapps ... 170,834 207,854
Lungchow, Mongtra
Szamau, T'ungyueh ... 42,557 42,336
7,790,046 7,975,694

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
The Osaka Shosen Kaisha has returned its business receipts for last month as Yen 394,579 and the Government subsidy granted during the same month as Yen 92,309, making a total of Yen 486,879. The money expended for the month was Yen 365,751, and the company's net profits for November amounted therefore to Yen 121,128, which make a total of Yen 706,233 from the beginning of the latter half of the present year.

Russian Warships.
The *Nagasaki Press* of the 14th inst. states:—Admiral Strel's flagship *Zetor*, the *Poltava*, the *Bayarin*, the *Bobra*, and 4 destroyers are now at Chemulpo, while the cruisers *Rosin*, *Rurik*, *Gromoboy* and *Bogetay* are at present at Vladivostok. The remainder of the Russian squadron are now gathered at Port Arthur. It is reported that two of these at Vladivostok will shortly proceed to Port Arthur, the other two being ordered to pass the winter months at the Siberian port.

Charitable Bazaar at Macao.
On Saturday and Sunday next, at Macao, a charitable bazaar is to be held in aid of beneficent institutions under the charge of the Canadian Sisters of Charity. Great preparations have been made for the fête, which will be held in the public gardens, San Francisco (Praia Grande). From 2 to 6 p.m. admission will be free, but during the evening the price of admission for adults (with right to a souvenir) will be \$1, without souvenir 50 cents, and children 20 cents. Tickets can be purchased at the Public Gardens gate. Given fine weather the bazaar should be a great success, and since special steamers are running to Macao on both days it should attract many visitors from Hongkong.

Rugby Football.
A team from the *Gloria* and *Tamar* defeated a team selected from the *Talbot* and gunboats, at Happy Valley yesterday by fourteen points to nil. The game was fast, and forward play was conspicuous. The *Gloria* and *Tamar* forwards beat the *Talbot* men for the ball, and were ably supported by their back division, who passed and tackled well. The losers were lacking in combination, but played doggedly. The teams were as follows:—*Gloria* and *Tamar*: Full-back, Venning; three quarters, Forbes, Barnard, Frybury, and Cornaby; halves, Poste-Forbes and Holden; forwards, Formby, Barnaby, Edge, Wilson, Noble, Buly and Dr. Lindop. *Talbot* and gunboats: Full back, Campbell; three quarters, Chambers, Longmore, Stoylo and Parker; halves, Germain and Le'Veille; forwards, Wells, Kilvert, Clare, Willes, Walber, Madden, Richards and Rowley.

Victoria Lodge Installation.
At the Hongkong Hotel last night War. Bro. C. W. Longuet was installed by War. Bro. E. C. Ray as R.W.M. of the Victoria Lodge, 1026 E.C., Hongkong. On being installed the R.W.M. invested his officers as follows:—Senior Warden, Bro. C. H. Grace; Junior Warden, Bro. W. O. Barrett; Treasurer, Bro. W. S. Allen; Secretary, War. C. D. Gourdin; Senior Deacon, Bro. F. W. Goldring; Junior Deacon, Bro. J. G. Whitley; Dir. of Correspondence, Bro. J. M. Crago; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone; Steward, Bro. J. Hagellberg. After the investiture a banquet was held, at which the following toasts were honoured:—The King and the Craft, by the Worshipful Master, H. R. H. the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of England, by the Worshipful Master. The District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, by the Worshipful Master; Sister Lodges and Visitors, by Bro. Senior Warden; The Worshipful Master, by War. Bro. E. H. Ray. Songs and recitations were rendered by Messrs G. P. Lammett, C. H. Grace, G. Grimbly, A. O'D. Gourdin and P. W. Goldring.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Lord Charles Beresford.
Lord Charles Beresford was once breakfasting in a small country hotel, and accidentally upon a cup of coffee over the clean, white tablecloth, which the good lady of the house had dug up from her most sacred linen cupboard for the benefit of the British Admiral. Unfortunately, the upsetting of the steaming coffee also upset the lady's temper, and she soundly nated Lord Charles for his want of tact. 'It's a good thing for you,' she said, 'that the coffee has not left much stain on my cloth.' 'It was too weak, madam,' replied the Admiral. 'You'll have to stain your coffee before you can expect to stain your table linen. Use more beans, ma'am; use more beans.'

A Young Author.
Probably the youngest authoress in the world is Commander Mrs Peary's little daughter Marie, who at the age of nine has produced a large book about her recent visit to the Arctic, whither she went with her mother to meet her father. Marie is known to thousands of book-readers as 'The Snow Baby,' which was the name given to her by the Esquimaux, for she was born among them. In the Esquimaux language this is 'Ah-nigh-to.' The book is called 'Children of the Arctic,' and it describes her voyage and the habits and customs of the little girls and boys in the land of ice and snow. Now and again the Snow Baby's mother helped her in the book, but in the main it consists of extracts from her diary.

A Brilliant Idea.
On the journey from Vienna to St. Petersburg, a thought-reader entertained his fellow travellers by guessing their thoughts. One of the travellers, a foreign merchant, who took the whole thing as a hoax, offered to pay the thought man the sum of fifty guineas if he could divine his thoughts. Visibly amused, he acceded to his request, and said: 'You are going to the fair at Nij Novgorod, where you intend to purchase goods to the extent of twenty thousand guilders, after which you will declare yourself a bankrupt, and compound with your creditors for three per cent.' On hearing these words, the merchant gazed at the speaker with reverential awe. He then, without uttering a word, drew out of the bag of his belt a shabby purse and handed him the fifty guilders. Whereupon the great magician triumphantly inquired: 'Then I have guessed your thoughts, eh?' 'No,' replied the merchant, 'but you have given me a brilliant idea.'

Rear-Admiral Robinson.
Considerable satisfaction was felt amongst Commodore Robinson's numerous friends when the announcement was received that he had been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral in H. M. Navy. It has been the good fortune of Hongkong for many years to have at the head of the Naval Yard gentlemen who have taken a lively interest in the social and public affairs of the Colony, and Admiral Robinson, from the time of his arrival, showed that in no way was he to be behind any of his predecessors. Both Admiral Robinson and Mrs Robinson have made a large circle of friends during their stay in the Colony, and their approaching departure will be regretted sincerely. In the Navy Admiral Robinson has specialised in torpedo and electric work, being for some time at the head of the Vernon School of Instruction, during which time he proved himself to be one of the most efficient officers that had held the post. During his stay here he has taken a keen interest in sporting matters, and his yacht the *Tinon* at present leads in the Championship Class of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. We take the opportunity of congratulating Commodore Robinson on his promotion.

Can it be True?
Russian ports are not as hospitable as they might be, although Russian naval officers are most punctilious in paying visits to foreign ports—to see how the land lies. A few weeks ago (according to a story told in the *Manchester Daily Dispatch*) the Russian Admiral at Port Arthur paid a surprise visit to Sir Cyprian Bridge, in command of our China Squadron, at Wai-hai-Wei, and there was a pretty exchange of international amenities. Sir Cyprian Bridge let a few weeks go by, and when Far Eastern matters threatened to pass from the simmering stage to boiling point he telegraphed to the Russian Admiral saying that he proposed to do himself the honour of returning his courteous visit. The Russian Admiral in an excess of courtesy telegraphed back that he could not think of putting Sir Cyprian to such inconvenience. 'Sir Cyprian replied: 'Not at all—only too pleased.' Then the Russian Admiral telegraphed again. He was extremely desirous, but as a matter of fact, there would be hardly room for H. M. S. *Gloria* in the harbour at Port Arthur. Sir Cyprian continued the telegraphic correspondence by saying that he did not propose to come in his flagship but a picket boat. Then the Russian Admiral was extremely sorry to say that he was about to go away for a few days. And Sir Cyprian Bridge closed the correspondence by saying: 'I am content to take my chance of seeing you.' Sir Cyprian found the Russian Admiral on board his flagship, and found Port Arthur crisscrossed with Russian ships of war.

TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
SUPPLIED BY REUTERS, VIA HONGKONG.

THE NORTHERN CRISIS.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE—SEEK PEACE.

Reassurances from Russia.
LONDON, December 22.

It is stated in Paris that Great Britain and France are acting in accord with a view of securing a peaceful settlement of the difficulties confronting Japan and Russia.

It is also reported that Count Lamsdorff, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, has again reassured the French Government with regard to the situation in the Far East.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.
LONDON, December 21.

The papers generally recognize the gravity of the situation and the possibility of Great Britain becoming involved. The *Morning Post* says Great Britain ought to be ready for all eventualities. A Russo-Japanese war would involve Great Britain in serious responsibilities, to meet which preparation is needed.

To-day's information from the Far East shows that the situation remains critical. Japan now proceeds to request a reconsideration of the Russian proposals, which if granted will be followed by further negotiations.

COMMODORE ROBINSON PROMOTED.
Commodore Robinson, H.M.S. *Tamar*, has been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral.

CHINESE LABOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.
At a mass meeting in Cape Town, it was resolved to condemn energetically Chinese labour.

THE KAISER AT HANOVER.
A speech by the Kaiser at a military celebration in Hanover, in which he declared that the Hanoverians and Blucher saved the English from destruction at Waterloo, has evoked great irritation in England.

'The Unready Nation.'
In his new book, 'Story of a Soldier's Life,' Lord Wolsey describes England as 'the unready nation,' and says: 'We are never ready for war, we never have had a Cabinet which would dare to tell the people this truth. Our absolute unreadiness for war is known to all our thoughtful soldiers, and, without doubt, all the details which go to make up the fact are duly recorded and docketed in the War Office of every nation.'

Additions to Japanese Navy.
The Japanese corvettes *Katsuragi*, *Yamato*, and *Musashi*, the gunboats *Nitaka*, *Miya*, *Atago* and *Chokai*, the despatch boat *Yagayama*, and the torpedo cruiser *Toguchiki* have become obsolete by reason of age. To make good the decrease in the strength of the Navy, the authorities have, it is reported, decided to construct 2 cruisers of about 6,000 tons each, 4 destroyers and 22 torpedo-boats, within a term of five years commencing with the next fiscal year. Besides the above, work on the construction of a battleship of some 15,000 tons and an armoured cruiser will, shortly be taken in hand in England and at Kure, respectively.

The 'Clam' in a Gale.
All vessels arriving from the south report very bad weather—a strong NE. monsoon amounting to a gale. Vessels which generally make the run from Singapore to Hongkong in six days have taken eight or nine during the past few weeks. The Shell line steamer *Clam* (Captain Evans), loaded with liquid fuel from Balikpapan, took eleven days to come up. Her course was through the Sulu and Celebes Seas, and when off Luzon she encountered a strong N.E. gale. The forward well-deck bulkhead was stove in through the labouring of the ship her steering gear fair-lead broke down, two boat skids were smashed, a hen coop and bridge ladder were washed away, and several other smaller deck fittings went by the board.

Prepare for Emergency.
WHAT would you do if taken with a severe attack of Colic or Diarrhoea and your physician could not be readily summoned? Provide yourself with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, and you will then be prepared for such an emergency. During the summer months children are subject to disorder of the bowels, and should receive the most careful attention. As soon as any looseness of the bowels is noticed, Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy should be given. When children are teething they have more or less diarrhoea, which can be controlled by giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

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Admission free from 2 to 5 P.M.

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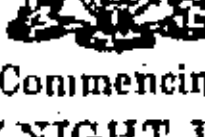
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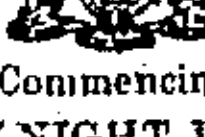
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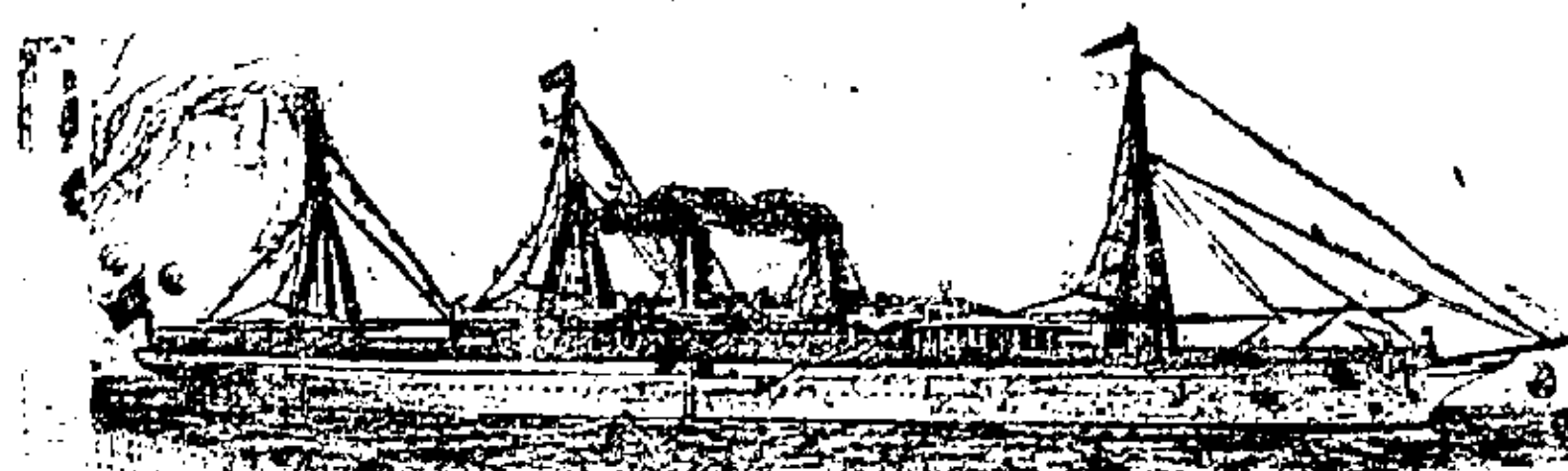
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Sailing 5 to 7 Days across the Pacific.

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R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF JAPAN</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24.
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF CHINA</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 9.
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF INDIA</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, Mar. 30.
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF JAPAN</i>	6000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, April 20.
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STEAMSHIP.	Tons.	Captain.	Hongkong.
ENDRASAMHA	5197	W. E. Craven	December 24, 1903
INDRAVELLI	4999	R. P. Craven	January 14, 1904
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THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Date.
KAGOSHIMA MARU, K. Kori,	MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 25th Dec., at Noon.
BINGO MARU, F. Davis,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 26th Dec., at Daylight.
HIROSHIMA MARU, J. Nagao,	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at Noon.
KAGA MARU, N. Ono,	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 p.m.
KASUGA MARU, W. Scott Hunter,	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at Noon.
YAWATA MARU, A. E. Moore,	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND, HONOLULU and BUSHARKE.	WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30, at 4 p.m.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between MOI and KOBE, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway. For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Clatter Road.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, December 12, 1903.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Pyrrhus	27th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Tydeus	27th December.
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Kestrel	8th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Kintuck	14th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Myosotis	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Gladius	28th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	Gladius	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	Darius	5th January.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	Yangtze	19th January.
LIVERPOOL, with TRANSHIPMENT AT SINGAPORE	Yangtze	19th January.
LONDON & ANTWERP	Nestor	2nd February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	Tydeus	15th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	Kestrel	16th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	Myosotis	1st March.

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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	Nanchang	24th December.
SINGAPORE AND SHANGHAI	Tientsin	24th December.
SHANGHAI	Chinghai	24th December.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	Chinghai	30th December.
KOBE	Taiwan	1st January.

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SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb.
GERA	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.
PERUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
ROOY	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.

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LYRA	4417	J. V. William	January 20.
OLYMPIA	2837	A. Dixon	February 11.
SHAWMUT	3908	W. M. Smith	February 19.
TACOMA	2812	M. Riley	February 22.
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QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, December 21, 1903.

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TO	STEAMER	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via	Maaila	Noon, 24th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI AND KOBE	Maaila	About 25th Dec.	Freight only.
YAMA, via SHAI, MOI & KOBE (passing through the ISLAND SEA)	Palermo	About 28th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	Palermo	About 2nd Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Palermo	Jan. 2nd	See Special Advertisement.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	Palermo	About 8th Jan.	Freight only.

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PERLA	1988	A. H. Dotley		

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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	ANPIN MARU, J. Ooto,	SUNDAY, 27th Dec.
TAMSI, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJIN MARU, T. Oota,	TUESDAY, 29th Dec.
TAMSI, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJIN MARU, T. W. Grover,	TUESDAY, 5th Jan., 1904.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first class passengers, and a fully qualified Doctor is carried. By the Co.'s Steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading are issued for Cargo to Yantai, Keelung, and other ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Steamers from Shanghai. For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Vaux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1903.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

(ORIENTAL S. S. Co.)

REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND MANILA 48 HOURS.

STEAM FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, via SHANGHAI, GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Company's well-known Steamship ROSEITA MARU, 3880 Tons, Captain H. S. SMITH, will be dispatched for MANILA on TUESDAY, the 29th December, at 11 a.m. To be followed by the ROSEITA MARU on the 2nd January. Magnificent Accommodation. Comfortable Cabin. Excellent Table. Unrivalled Speed. Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardesses carried. For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3 Queen's Buildings, Ice House Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1903.

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PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE BORDEAUX.

Also

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1903, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship SALAZAR, Captain NOLAN, with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 28th December. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO

SINGAPORE AND TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through rates to the Brazils, to South Africa, Red Sea, Black Sea, Levant, Venice and Adriatic Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship VINDOBONA, Captain CORAL, will leave for the above places on THURSDAY, the 14th of January p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Princo's Building, Hongkong, December 21, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S. S. "WING CHAI."

CAPTAIN SAMUEL REEL SMITH.

DEPARTURE from Hongkong on week days at 7.30 a.m.; Excursion on Sundays at 8.30 a.m.; from Macao week days at about 2 p.m.; Sundays at about 7.30 p.m. Fare (week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant) \$3. Return Ticket \$6. 2nd class \$1. 3rd class 50 cts.

On excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket, including tidie and dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each cabin which has accommodation for 2 or more passengers.

Vessels Advertised as Loading

Exclusion of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

WINTERS AT HOTELS

ROSEBROOK HOTEL.

Mr Altman	Mr E. A. Leggett
Mr Anderson	Mr W. M. Leighton
Mr A. B. Lewis	Mr A. B. Lewis
Mr H. Barrett	Mr J. H. Lewis
Mr and Mrs W. M. McRae	Mr R. J. Magowan
Black	Mr Gordon Mackie
Mr & Mrs A. Jackson	Mr L. A. Mandell
Mr E. M. Baggins	Dr A. Marriott
Mr E. M. Baggins	Mr and Mrs E. Mast
Mr E. B. Baggins	Mr Sidney Mast
Mr W. S. Brown	Mr T. P. McAnan
Mr Hunt Black	Mr R. L. Meikle
Major Bush	Mr E. D. Miller
Mr E. C. Clark	Mr E. D. Miller
Mr and Mrs W. W. McRae	Mr and Mrs L. C. Murphy
Cloward	
Mr F. S. Colson	Miss T. Neman
Mr C. H. Coulson	Mr C. J. North
Mr A. R. Cowden	Mr W. S. Oakey
Miss D. Cowden	Mr G. Osborn
Mr H. E. Darnell	Mr E. L. Palmer
Mr J. T. Davies	Mr W. Parfitt
Mr F. B. Denoon	Mr G. H. Phipps
Mr G. Dean	Mr A. G. Potter
Dr Dolores	Mr H. P. Pott
Mr and Mrs D. Douglas	Mr C. H. Purcell
Mr C. G. Downing	Miss Purcell
Ellis and Mrs A. Ellis	Dr and Mrs Ramsd
Mr A. Emerson	Mr Hugo Reiss
Mr M. Fernaud	Mr C. S. Ross
Mr H. G. Fisher	Mr B. R. Sanson
Mr C. G. Fisher	Mr E. L. D. Sayle
Mr W. H. Grant	Mr W. F. Schmidt
Capt. J. Hains	Mr and Mrs Simm
Capt. T. Hall	Mr H. T. Skinner
Mr Thos. A. Hammer	Mr C. Skott
Mr C. Horison	Mr E. A. Sowin
Mr W. B. Houghwout	Mr A. Spence
Mr F. H. Hayton	Miss M. A. Spice
Mr and Mrs Hill	Mrs Leslie C. Stue
Mr and Mrs C. W. McRae	Mrs Taylor
Hodgeson	Mr J. Trevous
Mr & Mrs J. Hooper	Mr and Mrs Vally
Mr J. J. Jolly	Mr J. J. Vandy
Mr H. T. Jackman	Mr J. Walker
Mr D. Jaffo	Mr G. A. Watkins
Mr A. A. Johnston	Mr O. White
Miss E. Johnstone	Mrs A. M. White
Mr and Mrs J. J. Jones	Mr Phillip W. Whit
	Mr and Mrs J. J. Jones
	Wendover
Mr E. A. Kugel	Mr and Mrs C. Goff
Mr E. Kenden	Wright
Mr M. H. Knappe	

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 22.

Michael Jensen, German steamer, 710, A. P. Uderup, Haiphong Dec. 19, Rice—
FRANK & Co.

Kwongong, British str., from Canton.

December 23.

Nansang, British steamer, 2,501, F. Winder, C. Britta Dec. 6, Penang 11, and Singapore 16, General.—**JARDINE, MATHEW & Co.**

Mandla, British str., 2,711, H. G. H. Lovellin, R.N.R., from Yokohama, General.—**P. & O. S. N. Co.**

Tai Lee, German str., 828, P. Mischon, Dec. 11, and Hongay 20, Coal.—**MYER & Co.**

Clam, British steamer, 2,311, J. Evans, Arr'd Papan December 11, Liquid Oil, ESHBOLD, KARBENS & Co.

Hadiong, British str., 783, J. W. Evans, Swatow December 22, General.—**PORTGAS & SAMPSON Co.**

Tinlau, German str., 1,002, O. Koch, Bangkok Dec. 12, via Swatow 23, Rice and Wood.—**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.**

Hanan, British str., 1,143, W. Frazier, Wuhu Dec. 17, and Chinkiang 18, Rice.—**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.**

Yanagaya Maru, Japanese steamer, Yamamoto, Moji Dec. 12, Coal.—**DUNWELL & Co., Ltd.**

Tansui, British str., from Canton.

Tientsin, British str., from Canton.

Chiyuen, Chinese str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

December 22.

China, for Singapore and Trieste

December 23.

Kong Albert, for Europe, &c.

Australien, for Shanghai.

Mugden Maru, for Swatow.

Pyotoph, for Hellow.

Hue, for Kwangchow-wan.

Ararat, for Singapore and Hamburg.

Sungkang, for Manila.

Hain, for Singapore.

Kwangyong, for Choo.

Bunsan, for Swatow.

Tientsin, for Shanghai.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported today.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore X, and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works 2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf 3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Officer's Station 4. From Harbour Master's to the Muret 5. From The Market to Pedlar's Wharf 6. From Pedlar's Wharf to the Navy Yard 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7. From Naval Yard to Hinge Buildings 8. From Hinge Buildings to East Point 9. From East Point to North Point 10. Kowloon Wharves 11. Jardine's Wharf
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Vessel Name.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons net.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.							
Amigo.....	c Hansen	Ger. str.	771	Dec. 19	Johnson & Co.		
An Pho.....	c Knoch	British str.	609	Nov. 26	Bradley & Co.		
Argentin.....	c Foerz	Ger. str.	3531	Dec. 21	Hamburg-America Linie		
Binh Thuan.....	c Ribault	French str.	384	Dec. 16	Bradley & Co.		
Borneo.....	k Muhle	Ger. str.	1842	Dec. 17	Mackay & Co.		
Bourbon.....	c Souchere	French str.	1160	Dec. 11	Chinese		
Chi Yuen.....	c Chi. str.	1211	Dec. 23	C. M. S. N. Co.			
Ching.....	c Evans	Aus. str.	2311	Dec. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Corina.....	c Barton	British str.	3158	Dec. 11	China Commercial S. C., Ltd.	Moji & San Francisco	Dec. 21.
Cornelia.....	c Schalkaker	Ger. str.	965	Dec. 1	Sunder, Wiedel & Co.		
Els.....	c Christophersen	Norw. str.	706	Jan. 1	Larlowitz & Co.		
Kanai Layken.....	c Christensen	Denm. str.	1149	Dec. 21	A. A. Trading Co.		
Kang.....	c Archibald	British str.	1003	Dec. 21	P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Jan. 13.
Kau.....	c Mitchell	British str.	1410	Dec. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kienchow of China.....	c Passmore	British str.	1287	Dec. 20	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Kisheng.....	c Evans	British str.	463	Dec. 23	Douglas Steamship Co.	Singapore	Dec. 25.
Khalong.....	c Wilde	British str.	1356	Dec. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kiangsang.....	c Harwell	British str.	1206	Dec. 17	Butterfield & Swire		
Kinyang.....	c Stakor	British str.	1041	Dec. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kioch.....	c Suzonni	French str.	377	Dec. 22	A. R. May		
Kiongkong.....	c Adahne	British str.	1800	Dec. 14	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Kouroulo.....	c Craven	British str.	3336	Dec. 7	Forthad & Asiatic S. S. Co.		
Kudrasanha.....	c Ohno	Japan. str.	2948	Dec. 20	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Kaga Maru.....	c Baddeley	British str.	1142	Dec. 19	Butterfield & Swire		
Kama.....	c Seabury	Amer. str.	6531	Dec. 14	P. R. Co.	Shanghai	Dec. 25.
Korea.....	c Lincoln	Chi. str.	1487	Dec. 8	P. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwang Lee.....	c Hooper	British str.	1062	Dec. 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Cebu & Iloilo	Dec. 23.
Kweyang.....	c Leuss	Ger. str.	1020	Dec. 10	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	Dec. 24.
Kyungchi.....	c Buhrmann	Ger. str.	1287	Dec. 20	Sunder, Wiedel & Co.	Santon & Bangkok	Dec. 24.
Lamook.....	c Lohmann	Ger. str.	1238	Dec. 22	Siemens & Co.		
Levenmouth.....	c Lowe-Hill	British str.	1711	Dec. 23	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	Dec. 24.
Manila.....	c McGregat	British str.	900	Dec. 12	Admiralty		
Mercedes.....	c Oldorp	Ger. str.	710	Dec. 22	Jebsen & Co.		
Michaelson.....	c Gorsche	Ger. str.	591	Dec. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	Dec. 25.
Milford.....	c Brandt	Ger. str.	903	Dec. 21	R. H. Meyer	Spore & Calcutta	Dec. 30.
Manning.....	c Wheeler	Brit. str.	1158	Dec. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Nanchang.....	c Robinson	British str.	1168	Dec. 22	Butterfield & Swire		
Paul Han.....	c Evans	French str.	1669	Dec. 22	Chinese		
Perak.....	c Fuchs	Ger. str.	1267	Dec. 19	Butterfield & Swire		
Prima.....	c Meyer	Norw. str.	701	Dec. 21	Sunder, Wiedel & Co.	Shanghai & Yokohama	Dec. 24.
Raddresshire.....	k Burch	British str.	1843	Dec. 21	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Rahi.....	c Almond	Scot. str.	1611	Dec. 22	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Salamanka.....	c McClure	British str.	15	Oct. 10	Bradley & Co.	Canton	
Savannah.....	c Mackenzie	British str.	1264	Oct. 12	Bradley & Co.		
Seatonmouth.....	c Scott	British str.	1004	Dec. 22	Gco. McEwan		
Shantung.....	c Engelhardt	Ger. str.	1500	Dec. 19	Yuen Tai Hong		
Shinanzaw.....	c Fol	Dutch str.	1200	Dec. 23	Meyer & Co.		
Shui Leo.....	c Michelson	British str.	819	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Taipei.....	c Eddy	British str.	2768	Dec. 16	P. R. Co.		
Tamsui.....	c Evans	British str.	1227	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Tientsin.....	c Gibbs	British str.	1227	Dec. 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Tinsang.....	t Andersson	British str.	1840	Dec. 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Trocan.....	k Phillips	British str.	2657	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Tsuntau.....	c Koch	Ger. str.	1002	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Umling.....	c Thorbjørn	Norw. str.	1617	Dec. 14	Order		
Unst.....	c Truedal	Amer. str.	2112	Dec. 13	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Victoria.....	c Laver	British str.	1160	Dec. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Wardour.....	k Bizer	Ger. str.	3240	Dec. 15	Hamburg-America Linie		
Wuzburg.....	k Bizer	Ger. str.	3240	Dec. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Yikang.....	c Bowker	British str.	587	Dec. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		

Vessels Advertised as Loading

Destination.	Vessel.	Agent.	Date of Leaving.
Amoy, Swatow & Rangoon	Avoca (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Dec. 23, at Noon
Australian Ports, &c.	Kawata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Dec. 30, at 4 p.m.
Bremen &c.	Kiatchoku (s)	Molchers & Co.	January 6.
Bremen &c.	Sachsen (s)	Molchers & Co.	January 20.
B'gay, Spars & Ceylon	Hirosimsha Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Dec. 23, at Noon.
Havre and Hamburg	Nirpon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 1.
Kobe	Tsuyumen (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 24, at Noon.
London & Antwerp	Albion (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 16, at Noon.
London &c.	Simla (s)	Sheewan, Tomes & Co.	About Dec. 23.
London and Hamburg	Flintshire (s)	McGregor Bros. & Co.	January 30.
Manila	Glenferry (s)	Sheewan, Tomes & Co.	Dec. 26, at 11 a.m.
Manila	Rosetta Maru (s)	Sheewan, Tomes & Co.	Jan. 2, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Hochi (s)	Dowdell & Co. Limited	About January 23.
Manila	Zefiro (s)	McGregor Bros. & Co.	Dec. 29, at 11 a.m.
Manila	Shawmut (s)	Butterfield & Swire	January 5.
Manilla via Saigon	Sulazie (s)	McGregor Bros. & Co.	Dec. 29, at 1 p.m.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	January 30.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	Dec. 15, at Noon.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 26, Daylight.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	January 5.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	January 19.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Dowdell & Co. Limited	December 24.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Dowdell & Co. Ltd.	January 12.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	About Dec. 28.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Manila, Aulian Ports Chingto	About end of Dec.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 30, at Noon.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	December 24.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Bradley & Co.	About January 15.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	January 10.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 26.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About January 2.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	December 24.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	December 26.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	China Com. S. Co., Ltd.	Dec. 24, at Noon
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Dec. 30, at Noon.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Sheewan, Tomes & Co.	Dec. 24, Daylight.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	McGregor Bros. & Co.	About Dec. 30.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Portland & Asiatics Co.	December 24.
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Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 14, p.m.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	January 14.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	China-H'land T'ing Co.	January 14.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Sander, Wieler & Co.	January 14, p.m.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	January 14.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	December 27.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	December 27.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	January 5.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Douglas Lapaik & Co.	Dec. 23, at 4 p.m.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Canadian P'ke R. Co.	January 13.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Canadian P'ke R. Co.	January 13.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Butterfield & Swire	December 30.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Dowdell & Co. Limited	December 30.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Dowdell & Co. Limited	January 20.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Dec. 23, at 4 p.m.
Manilla, Aulian Ports Chingto (s)	Manilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Dec. 24.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS:

December 23, 1963.

	Sectors.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations.
				all	Cash.
	BANKS.				
	Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125		London, 263
	National Bank of China, Limited	19,270	£ 10		\$30, buyers
		23,556	£ 10		\$30, buyers
		750	£ 1		\$10
	Do. Founders' shares				
	MARINE INSURANCE.				
	Carson Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 250		\$175, sales
	China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£83.33		\$2,507, sellers
	North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,959	£ 100		\$119, sales
	Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£ 250		\$190, sellers
	Yantai Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,400	£ 100		\$6135
	FIRE INSURANCE.				
	China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 100		\$89, sales
	Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 250		\$310
	DOCKS, ETC.				
	Hongkong Wharves Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 50		\$205, buyers
	Lee Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	£ 25		\$48, buyers
	New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 65		\$438, sellers
	S. C. Purnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100		Tls. 128
	STRAITS, RIVERS, ETC.				
	Chin & Man's S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	£ 150		\$18
	Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	£ 50		\$30, sellers
	H.K. & C. M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	£ 15		\$22, sellers
	Indo-China S. S. Company, Limited	10,000	£ 10		\$70, sellers
	Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10		\$19, buyers
	Shui Tan Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 12		\$12.6, sales
	Tai Tung and Light Co., Ltd.	8,600	Tls. 50		Tls. 36
	Shanghai Light & Lighter Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50		Tls. 60, sellers
	Do. Preference.	130,000	Tls. 50		Tls. 47, sellers
	SUGAR.				
	China Sugar Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100		\$105
	Luon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	£ 100		\$10, sellers
	Peak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	Tls. 50		Tls. 60
	WHARVES.				
	H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	£ 50		\$97, buyers
	Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100		Tls. 22, sales
	LAND AND BUILDING.				
	Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100		\$107, sales
	Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	39,000	Tls. 60		Tls. 104, sales
	Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	£ 50		\$35, buyers
	Wei-hei-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	Tls. 25		Tls. 12, sellers
	Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	£ 10		\$11, sales & buyers
	West Point Building Co., Limited	12,600	£ 50		\$324, sellers
	TRAMWAYS.				
	H.K. High-Land Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£ 100		\$920
	MINING.				
	Jobbu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	80,000	£ 5		\$50, sellers
	New Punjani Mining Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 11		\$1.50, sellers
	Do. Preference shares.	30,000	£ 1		\$0, sellers
	Shan Hai Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.	15,000	Fas. 250		\$664, buyers
	Rub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	300,000	£ 1		\$8, sellers
	HOTELS ETC.				
	Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£ 50		\$148, sales
	Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Hankow)	2,400	Tls. 50		Tls. 150, buyers
	Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	30,000	£ 25		\$28, buyers
	DISCOUNTS.				
	A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	£ 10		\$14, buyers
	Watkins Limited	10,000	£ 10		\$7, buyers
	LOANING.				
	H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£ 10		\$146, buyers
	Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd.	8,000	£50		Tls. 107, buyers
	Shanghai Electric Co., Limited	30,000	£ 10		\$12, buyers
	New Electric (new issue)	30,000	£ 5		\$7
	BRICK AND CEMENT.				
	Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 10		\$24, buyers
	ICEBERG CEMENT.				
	Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 50		\$5
	Malta Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,604	£12/6		\$5, sellers
	United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	3,000	£ 10		\$4, buyers
	Lee Steam & Cold Storage, Ltd.	7,000	£ 10		\$210, buyers
	Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 75		\$124, buyers
	Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	£ 25		\$245, sellers
	Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	7,200	£ 20		\$125, nominal
	Shanghai Planting Company, Ltd.	20,000	£ 5		\$145, buyers
	Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 10		\$154, buyers
	Do. Preference.	13,000	£ 10		\$154, buyers
	Hongkong Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50		Tls. 37, sellers
	International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 70		Tls. 25, buyers
	Loou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 130		Tls. 40, buyers
	Loou Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,300	Tls. 500		Tls. 17
	China Pr.vident Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd.	60,000	£ 10		\$94, sellers
	China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	£ 13		\$28, buyers
	Campbell Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	£ 1		\$0
	Wm. T. Brown, Ltd.	12,600	£ 1		\$0
	Shanghai and Hongkong Dring & Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	£ 50		\$50, Nominal
	The Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	£ 10		\$10, Nominal
	TELEGRAPH.				
	Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 50		\$55, sellers
	Thamphaia Limited	300	£ 50		\$10

A. Wilson	Mr R. M.
Wm. A. Boyer	Mrs. M.

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Mr. J. M. P. Deutts	Dermott
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Mr. C. de-Bologowsky	Mr. S. Nagotz
Major & children	R. N.
Mad. de laud and	Mr & Mrs F. B.
Mr. Ralph A. Bra-	and child
cazon	Major and Mrs
Col. L. F. Brown	Ormsdon, R.
Major and Mrs. F. W.	Mr. J. Shovel R.
Major & children	Hon. H. E. Po
Mrs. Bunoy	K. C.
Mad. & Mrs. A. Chapman	Major and Mrs
Major A. A. Cluches	Pratt, R. A.
ter	Mr. T. H. Reid
Mrs. Cooke	C. N. C.
Miss L. Curry,	the banding
Mrs. Devine	Mr. W. F. Shepp
Lieut. Dymock, R. A.	Mrs. F. S. Shaw
Col. and Mrs. G. H. H.	Mr. A. Sinclair
Senior	Mr. A. Findlay
Capt. and Mrs Foote,	Mr Carl W. C.
R. N.	Mr. Smith
Mr. Frerch	Mr W. W. O. S.
Mr. and Mrs A. R.	Mr. Laver
Fullerton	Mr. D. Stevenson
Mrs. A. M. Gade	Mr. F. Thomas
Mr. R. Harding	Dr. F. Tuall
Commandant and Mrs	Mr. W. M. V.
Mr. R. N.	and child
Mr. Huthrow	Mr S. T. Went
of Mr. J. O. Jeffries	

CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Mr. J. W. Bains	Mr. Hume, & ch
Mr. D. N. Blair	Mr. N. Johnson
Mr. C. R. Camp	Mr. K. Kawat
Col. R. E.	Mr. G. E. Lee
Mr & Mrs D. Christo	Dr & Mrs H.
Captain Corte	farlans
Mr John Cronin	Mr. H. New
Mr W. H. Donald	Mr. R. H. New
Mr. Dour	Mr. G. Rob
Mme. Dubor	Mr W. R. Ro
Mr. R. Edwards	Mr. R. H. Rut
Mr and Mrs H. Eyre	Mr. G. L. S.
Mr. L. Goetschel	Mr. C. H. Va
Mr. L. D. Hills	Mr. R. Whit
Mr E. Howard	Mr. W. H. Wh

Shuee, for Haiphong.
Zuoching, for Shanghai.

Tamoi, for Shanghai.

PASSINGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Nanning*, from Calcutta, &c., M. Caspar, Major Heneage, Capt. Lorrain and 771 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Daligi*, Tamoi, for Amoy, Mr. Robertson; for Kanton, Mr. Robertson; for Hong Kong, Messrs. Bremes, &c.; for Amoy, Mr. W. Marquess von Kaputhalla, H. die Rati von Kaputhalla, Mr. Arnott and Mrs E. Ayscough, Mr and Mrs Barton, Mr A. W. Barnard, Mr Bowman, Misses A. Bowman, H. Brice, Erice, Mr Geo. Buck, Mr J. W. Cooper, Mrs H. Day, Mr E. G. Edgar, Mr and Mrs Fawcether, Miss Fawcether, Fuller, Miss Mary Funk, Mr R. F. Foot, Mrs Sujii Hayashita, Mr Stafford Hill, Dr Hobeneger, Miss Hudson, Mrs H. Knapp, Misses Laura Kelly, P. Kennaway, Mrs C. de la Albe, Captain H. W. Innes Lillingdram, Mrs G. S. Mackenzie, Dr Percia Mies G. Metzner, Miss Mayer, Mr and family, Mr F. C. de Henneze child, Inspector Melotzenheim, Misses Mr Louis Louis, Mr E. Phil, Mrs W. G. Vontor, Miss Ratte, Mr J. Roberts, Major Fernando Rodriguez General-Major von Rohrschadt, Dr Mrs Solomon, Mr N. T. Saunders, E. H. Scheffer, Miss F. J. Sedon, Miss Sedon, Mr Arthur Schuler, Mr and Mrs Seising, Mr and Mrs H. Taylor, Mr Robert Weber, Miss Wisdom, and Capt. Withmann.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Nanning* reports from Calcutta and Singapore Dec. Heavy monsoon wind from N.E. and heavy sea, weather variable.

The German steamer *Siedow* reports from Hongkong and Padaran, from there smooth sea, calm and light breeze, very heavy sea and choppy water from Cape Padaran to port, N.E.

With very heavy sea and cloudy weather.

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Brilliant	3 c	Cowlishaw	B. 4-m. bk.	3650	Oct. 23	Standard Oil Co.
Dardanelles	3 c	Greener	Brit. bge.	516	June 13	Order
Palgrave	2 k	Coutts	B. 4-m. bk.	3678	Dec. 21	Standard Oil Co.
Vale of Doon	2 k	Weemsand	Brit. bge.	596	Dec. 13	Sander, Wiedler & Co.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
[SUPPLIED THROUGH RETAIL.]

Steamer	Company	Destination	Date
Alexia, Cleburner, Indragora, Root,			
Shimost, Javv, Yokosui	Maru,		
Pulling, Howick Hall, Baden,			
Breihel, Glavin, Emden,			
1. Awa Maru, Nestor, Prussic,			
Chardoniz, 4. Curt Chess, 8. Scusi,			
Australien, Keempan, Palma (Delayed			
through treatment), Alcegaif, 11. Glen-			
yach, Kanaga, Maru, Arctick, Simona,			
Kanagawa, Maru, Kintuck, Tanituts,			
Sazoniza, Seneca, December 18.			

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Managon* left Singapore for this port on the 17th Dec., at 8 a.m.
The C.P.R. Co.'s s.s. *Athenia* left Vancouver, on Monday afternoon, the 24th Dec., from Hongkong, via the usual Ports of Call.

Latest Advice.

The M. M. steamer *Polytechny*, with the new Messrs. Messing Mail, left Singapore on Wednesday, December 23, at 7 o'clock, for this port, by Saigo.
On the Weston Tor Co.'s s.s. *Lynx* arrived at Yokohama on 19th Dec.
The N. Y. K. Co's *Hiroshima Maru* left Yokohama on 19th Dec.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
Grand December.—AZ & PM.

Station.	Therm.		Winds.	Clouds.	Rainfall.	Baromet.	Direction.	Force.
	Max.	Min.						
WIPACAT	71	62	-	-	-	30.0	-	1
Namuro	71	59.5	-	-	-	30.0	-	6
Hakodate	71	59.5	-	-	-	30.0	-	6
Tokio	71	59.5	-	-	-	30.0	-	6

China Coast Meteorological

Register.						
22nd December.—A7 & PM.						
Station.	Hour.	Parameter.	Temperature.	Wind.	Bar.	Moist.
WFOsted	2 p	59.42	—	—	—	71
Nemuro	—	59.46	—	—	—	72
Hakodate	—	59.65	—	—	—	66
Tokio	—	59.14	—	—	—	62

Mr James Anderson Mr V
25 D. H. Boston Mr a

Mr R. B. Dyer	Mr & Mrs W. Carrel	Mr A. Macfar
Captain L. Corte	Mr James Mac	
Mr H. Durrich	Mr Leonard J	
Mr W. T. Edwards	Mr R. W. Ford	
Mr Chas. P. Goering	Mr R. Rad	
Mr J. Jewitt	Mr E. O. Sullivan	
Mr and Mrs Victor	Mr A. T. Tipt	
Kelly	Mr J. Wester	
Mr and Mrs Emil	M. L. Wotn	
Wern	Mr E. Julian	
Mr H. J. Ling		

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

Mr H. B. Cartor	Mr & Mrs H.
Capt. W. Von	Cor-Mr Ed. Muel
both	of Peru
Mr and Mrs A. Dal-	Mr Arch. Ro
both	General Vor
Mrs Hale	richilde
Miss W. Hawley	Mr & Mrs T.
Miss M. Hawley	Mr and Mrs
Mr and Mrs Geo.	and Mrs
Hawley	Mr and Mrs
Mr and Mrs Geo. T.	Stephens
Hawley	Capt. & Mrs
Mr A. H. Hollings	R.H.S.
both	Mr and Mrs
Mrs Lambkin	Talati
Mrs Lambkin	Mr H. S. V

POST OFFICE

MAILS will close:—
For HAIPHONG.—
 Per *M. Struce*, at 9 a.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For SWATOW, STRAITS & BANGKOK.—
 Per *Leontok*, at 9 a.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For MANILA.—
 Per *Looyang*, at 2 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For SHANGHAI.—
 Per *Lyeumow*, at 2 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SALINA CRUZ & SAN FRANCISCO.—
 Per *Claveria*, at 3 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For NINGPO & SHANGHAI.—
 Per *Tientsin*, at 4 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—
 Per *Nandong*, at 4 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.
For SHANGHAI.—
 Per *Hai yang*, at 5 p.m., on *Thursday*, the 24th December.

MAILS by the UNITED STATES PA

U.S. *Brown* carry-
Most for this port on the 22nd Dec.,
and is expected to arrive here on the
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December 24th to 30th.

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Expected.	Exchange.	Re.
Kagoshima Maru left	HONGKONG, December 28, 1903.	Na

Singapore for this port on the 15th December, and is now due.	On London.....	1/8	Kagoshima.....	30.36	NE
The Glen Lane s.s. <i>Oleclaty</i> left Singapore for the 16th December, and is now due.	Bank, Wire,	1/8 1/2	Oshima.....	30.33	NE
	" On demand,	1/8 1/2	" 30 days' sight, ..	30.25	NE
	" 30 days' sight, ..	1/8 1/2	Ishijima.....	30.26	NE
	" 3 months' sight, ..	1/8 1/2	Taihoetsu.....	5a. 30.27	N
The A. A. s.s. <i>Arara</i> , from New York, will leave Manila on the 13rd Dec., and is due here on or about Saturday, the 26th Dec., at daylight.	Credit, 4 months' sight, ..	1/8 1/2	Taichu.....	30.17	NE
	Documentary, 4 months' sight, ..	1/9 1/2	Taiwan.....	29.18	NE
	On Paris.....	215	Koshu.....	30.17	NE
The Y. K. s.s. <i>Shigeru Maru</i> left Shanghai for this port on the 21st Dec., and is expected to arrive here on the 24th Dec.	On demand,	215 1/2	Fusoe.....	30.17	NE
	Credit, 4 month sight,	215	Wohinori.....	3a. 30.33	30
	On London.....	176	Gutschi.....	30.43	100
	On Demand,	176	Sharp Pk.....	30.31	73
	On New York.....	412	Amoy.....	30.35	79
The C. & M. steamship <i>Ferdie</i> left Cebu on Saturday, the 13th December, and is expected here on or about Thursday afternoon, the 23rd or 24th.	On demand,	412	Swatow.....	30.35	79
	Credit, 60 days' sight,	412	Canton.....	30.35	79
	On Hongkong.....	127	Hongkong 10a.	30.32	61
	On Shanghai.....	127	Vict. Peak.....	30.27	21
	On Manila.....	127	Gap Rock.....	30.27	21
	On Oculenta.....	127	Macao.....	30.28	27
	Wire.....	127	Haploong.....	29.92	82
The Java-China-Japan-Lisa steamer <i>Tylopat</i> left Moji via Amoy on the 16th December, and is expected here on or about the 24th Dec.	On demand,	127	Batool.....	29.92	82
	On Shanghai.....	127	Cebu.....	29.89	79
	On Swatow.....	127	Iloilo.....	29.89	83
	On Manila.....	127	S. S. James 10a.	29.89	83
	On Oculenta.....	127	Malato.....	29.89	83
The Bon Line steamer <i>Benidi</i> , from Leith and London, left Singapore on the 17th December for this port.	On demand,	127			
	On Shanghai.....	127			
The C. N. Co's s.s. <i>Taiyuan</i> , from Australia, Force via Manila, left Sydney on 5th December, and is expected to arrive here on 27th December.	On demand,	127			
	30 days' sight, (private paper) ..	127			
	On Yokohama.....	127			
	On demand,	127			
	Gold Leaf, 100 fms. (per ton).....	361.60			

F. G. Froo, Acting Dir.
Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 23

HONG KONG, December 19, 1941

BARO	101.4	9 A.M.	3
Do.	1 P.M.	3	
Do.	4 P.M.	3	
TEMPEROMETER	3 A.M.	5	
Do.	1 P.M.	5	
Do.	4 P.M.	5	
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	5	
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	5	
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	5	
Do.	Maximum	6	
Do.	Minimum over night	5	

The United States Mail
will be despatched

the 24th December, with Ma
Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco,
United States, Canada, Honolulu
&c., which will be closed at full
Printed Matter and Samples at 5
Registration at 5 p.m.
Letters at 5 p.m.
Supplementary Mail on board up
times fixed for the departure
Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents

Hongkong Register.

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	...21.10
Silver (per oz.)	...25½

The C. C. Corrales - *Lathien* sailed from Portland on Dec. 18th., for Moji and Hongkong.

The S. S. steamer *Indragelli*, sailed from Portland on the 8th Dec. via Japan ports, and may be expected here about 19th Jan.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS - At Kowloon.

H.M.S. Amphitrite, H.T.G.M.S. Mowe, Hankow, U.S.A.T. Sacramento, R.M.S. Glory, Hevin, Haiching, Argus.

Cantonization - Salaminae, Aberdeen -

7. Bales in inches, length and breadth

Opium Quot

HonoKono, December 23, 1891	
New Patina, cash,	118
Old Patna, cash,	—
New Benares, cash,	118
Old Benares, cash,	—
New Malwa, credit,	950
Allowance, Taels,	—
Last Year,	100
Allowance Taels	—
Old Malwa credit,	100
Allowance, Taels,	—
Persian, Oily, cash,	—
Allowance, Taels,	—
Persian, Paper dtd,	900
Allowance, Taels,	—

	Previous day at 4 p.m.
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Barometer ...	30.28	30.34
Temperature ...	58	57
Humidity ...	17	42
Direction of		
Wind ...	NE	NE
Force ...	2	1
Weather ...	b	b
Rain ...	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 21st.
 Lowest open air temperature on the 21st.

F. G. FIGG, Acting Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 22nd.

HARRIS AT THE DOOR — At Kowloon.

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